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SUBJECT: POTENTIAL US CANDIDATE FOR WMO SECRETARY GENERAL:
DR ROBERT M. WHITE

REF: 77 STATE A-4947

EMBASSY OFFICER TOOK OPPORTUNITY OF VISIT TO FOREIGN MINISTRY
TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE US CANDIDATE FOR WMO SYG WITH OFFICIAL
FOLLOWING WMO MATTERS. OFFICIAL WAS ACQUAINTED WITH UNCERTAINTY
SURROUNDING INTENTIONS OF DR D. ARTHUR DAVIES REGARDING
RETENTION OF SECRETARY GENERALSHIP. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT MOST
RECENT DUTCH UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT DAVIES WOULD SEEK REELECTION.
IF DAVIES DOES RUN, DUTCH BELIEVE HE WILL WIN WITH STRON
BACKING OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES NO MATTER WHO OPPOSES HIM. THAT
IS A PITY, OFFICIAL SAID, BECAUSE GON BELIEVES IT IS TIME FOR
A CHANGE. HE FELT WHITE WOULD BE A STRONG CANDIDATE WHOM DUTCH
COULD BACK ENTHUSIASTICALLY. EMBASSY OFFICER STRESSED THAT
IF DAVIES RAN, WHILE WOULD NOT AND US WOULD BACK DAVIES.
OFFICIAL UNDERSTOOD BUT EXPRESSED MILD SURPRISE AT
EXTENT OF US CONTINGENCY PLANNING.
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